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FM AMEMBASSY SEOUL

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9402

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, CB, KS

SUBJECT: REQUESTS FOR ASYLUM FROM CAMBODIANS

REF: STATE 084161

EA FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB

1. CAMBODIAN AMBASSADOR POC CALLED ON AMBASSADOR  
APRIL 14 TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE REQUEST FOR ASYLUM  
FOR HIMSELF AND OTHER MEMBERS SMALL CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY  
IN SEOUL. HE STRESSED THAT, AT PRESENT JUNCTURE, HE  
IS NOT REPEAT NOT MAKING ANY FORMAL REQUEST  
FOR ASYLUM AND WILL NOT REPEAT NOT UNLESS KHMER  
GOVERNMENT FALLS.

2. POC SAID IN EVENT OF FALL OF KHMER GOVT HE AND  
HIS FAMILY OF THREE WOULD DESIRE ASYLUM IN US FOR  
INDEFINITE PERIOD. DEPENDING UPON FUNDS PROVIDED  
TO CAMBODIAN EMBASSY BEYHIS GOVERNMENT, POC INDICATED  
HE WOULD PROBABLY NEED BOTH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND  
TRANSPORTATION. POC IS NOT CERTAIN ABOUT DESIRES OTHER  
EMPLOYEES OF HIS EMBASSY OR FOUR CAMBODIANS NOW IN KOREA  
FOR TRAINING. HE GAVE ME FULL LIST OF CAMBODIANS  
PRESENTLY IN KOREA. POC ASKED ME TO COMMUNICATE HIS PRESENT  
VIEWS PERSONALLY TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB.

3. DRAWING ON REFTEL, I ASSURED AMBASSADOR POC OF OUR DESIRE  
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TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING RESETTLEMENT OPPORTUNITIES, BUT MADE

NO REPEAT NO SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS.

4. AT PRESENT STAGE WE ARE TAKING NO ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CAMBODIANS IN KOREA, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH ABOVE AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH TYPE OF BIOGRAPHIC DATA REQUIRED. WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT ANTICIPATE ANY URGENT NEEDS TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE ASYLUM SHOULD AMBASSADOR POC AND OTHERS REQUEST IT FORMALLY, SINCE ROKG LIKELY TO BE PREPARED PROVIDE INTERIM ASSISTANCE.

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